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December 23, 2008

Mohamed Hassani  
H/M Transportation  
500 Governors Drive #35  
Winthrop, MA 02152

RE: Application for a Jitney route, H/M Transportation

Dear Mr. Hassani,

On December 16, 2008 the Board of License Commissioners voted 3-0 to recommend disapproval to the City Manager for the City Council on your application for shuttle service between the airport and hotels in Cambridge.

The reasons for which the License Commission is recommending disapproval are:

1. Taxi-cab drivers fear this business will cut into their business during this economic downturn.
2. Enforcement of solicitation for jitney service cannot be effectively monitored or enforced.
3. In order for the taxicab community to provide for short trips, they depend on the airport runs.
4. The taxicab community provides a service to all facets of the community without regard for profitability of the fares.
5. The client base for airport runs is not consistent enough to support the scheduled runs being proposed by the jitney operators.
6. Unlike the price of medallions, it is difficult to assess the impact of jitney services in terms of devaluing the cost of medallions. It is difficult to assess how many jitney licenses are too many.
7. There is a claim that there is already a saturation of jitney and limousine services servicing the Cambridge area.
8. Not able to police whether jitney services are keeping to their proposed schedules.

Your application will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration at their January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 hearing. Please be sure to attend the hearing.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Y. Lint  
Executive Officer

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"Casey, Martina" <Martina.Casey@lemeridien.com>

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Please accept this email as authorization that H/M Transportation has permission to pick up and drop off guests to Le Meridien Cambridge, located on 20 Sidney Street .

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

MARTINA CASEY FRONT OFFICE MANAGER

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On behalf of the Boston Marriott Cambridge, it is ok for H/M Transportation to drop people off here at the hotel.

Sincerely,

*David M Kopecky*

Front Office Manager

Boston Marriott Cambridge

(617)252-4480

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Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 1:06 PM

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Notice is hereby given that H/M Transportation, Mohamed Hassani, Manager, has applied for a Jitney license to operate a shuttle service from Logan International Airport to two (2) hotels in Cambridge. The shuttles are 15 passenger vans. The operating hours would be from 1:00p.m. to 1:00a.m. The proposed route is as follows:

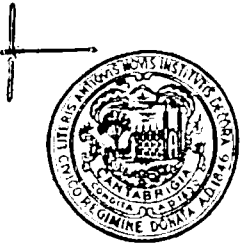
Enter Cambridge from Longfellow Bridge, which turns into Broadway, right onto Third Street, left onto Binney Street, Binney Street turns into Galileo Galilei Way, left onto Broadway, right into Stop 1- Marriott Cambridge Hotel, exit onto Broadway which merges with Main Street, right onto Memorial Drive, right onto Massachusetts Avenue, left onto Sidney Street, left onto Green Street to Stop 2- Le Meridien Hotel, exit onto Green Street, left on Lansdowne Street, right onto Massachusetts Avenue, right onto Memorial Drive, left on Western Avenue, exit Cambridge over the Western Avenue Bridge, follow Mass Pike east and return to Logan International Airport.

The hearing on this application will be held on Tuesday evening, December 16, 2008 at six o'clock in the Michael J. Lombardi Municipal Building, 831 Massachusetts Avenue, Basement Conference room, Cambridge, MA 02139.

Richard V. Scali  
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License Commission

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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Elizabeth Lint, License Commission  
**From:** Adam Shulman, Transportation Planner *Adam Shulman*  
**Date:** October 20, 2008  
**Re:** H/M Transportation

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Our Department received a shuttle routing request from Mohamed Hassani, H/M Transportation, to operate a shuttle service from Logan Airport to two (2) hotels in Cambridge (Marriott and Le Meridien Hotels).

H/M Transportation will operate two (2) vans, which can accommodate 15 people. Shuttle service will be by reservation and operate 12 hours per day from 1 PM to 1 AM. Mr. Hassani stated that frequency of vans entering Cambridge will be based on demand but estimated about 1 van per hour. The proposed route is:

- Enter Cambridge from the Longfellow Bridge, which turns into Broadway.
- At the first set of lights on Broadway take a right onto Third Street.
- Take Third Street to Binney Street. Left onto Binney Street.
- Take Binney Street, which turns into Galileo Galilei Way, to Broadway. Left onto Broadway.
- Take Broadway past Ames Street and turn right into **STOP 1 - Marriott Cambridge Hotel**.
- Exit the Marriott Cambridge Hotel onto Broadway, which merges with Main Street.
- Take a right onto Memorial Drive.
- Take Memorial Drive to Massachusetts Avenue.
- Take a Right on Massachusetts Avenue.
- Take a left onto Sidney Street.
- Take left onto Green Street to **STOP 2 - Le Meridien Hotel**.
- Exit Le Meridien Hotel onto Green Street
- Left on Landsdowne Street.
- Right onto Massachusetts Avenue.
- Take Massachusetts Ave. to Memorial Drive. Right onto Memorial Drive.
- Take Memorial Drive to Western Avenue. Left onto Western Avenue.
- Exit Cambridge over the Charles River (Western Avenue Bridge).
- Follow to Mass. Pike east and return to Logan Airport.

The TP&T Department approves the requested jitney license for H/M Transportation with the following stipulations.

- The proponent should obtain approval from the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) Department, because the route uses Memorial Drive, which is owned by DCR.
- No operations should occur on narrow residential streets that do not serve any hotels.
- This Department should approve any routing changes to this service.
- No illegal u-turns shall be done.
- Changing of directions should be conducted as indicated on the routing plan.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 617-349-4745.